



National Conference

Linking out: Real-World Networks

9 - 11 May 2018
Sydney, NSW



**Big Picture**
EDUCATION AUSTRALIA



conference

PROGRAM

8:30 - 9:00	Registration and coffee	<i>MC: Jennifer Parrett - Principal of James Fallon High School</i>
9:00 - 9:15	Acknowledgement of Country Opening of Conference	
9:15 - 9:30	Viv White AM - CEO Big Picture	<i>Focus: Outlearning, makers, entrepreneurs Video: Meet the makers</i>
9:30 - 10:30	Keynote: Bruce Jeffreys - founder of Goget, Dresden Eyewear and Makerspace & Co	<i>Bruce will give his provocative views on disrupting contemporary education followed by a brief Q & A</i>
10.30 - 10.45	MORNING TEA	
10:45 - 12:30	Advisory	All participants will be allocated an advisory group at registration. There are sessions on each day of the conference, led by experienced Big Picture advisory teachers, coaches and students
12:30 - 13:00	Student Panel: "How I learn outside school"	<i>Morisset High students and Viv White</i>
13:00 - 13:30	LUNCH	
13:30 - 14:15	Where are they now? Big Picture alumni	Jake Small from Wanniasa School
14:15 - 15:00	Student Panel	Student entrepreneurs, makers and innovators
15:00 - 15:15	AFTERNOON TEA	
15:15 - 17:00	Alan Poole/John Hogan - "Making connections"	<i>Alan speaks about experiences creating rich LTI experiences for students in urban and remote settings. Participants will have opportunities to reflect on their own views and work. LTI is central to the BPE design. John talks about our research and experience on implementing the BPE design – 'all of it and all the way through'.</i>

Speakers Day 1

Viv White AM - CEO Big Picture

Prior to co-founding Big Picture Education, Viv was CEO of the Victorian Schools Innovation Commission and co-founder and CEO of the Australian National Schools Network. She has a thirty-year history of international work in educational reform, research, policy and practice.

Bruce Jeffreys

Agent provocateur and entrepreneur Bruce Jeffreys will give a keynote on his 'disruptive' views of contemporary education. Bruce is co-founder of the GoGet car sharing platform, helped set up Makerspace & Co. in Marrickville and founded Dresden Eyewear—a social enterprise recycling plastic into inexpensive eyewear for all.

Alan Poole

Alan Poole is an experienced advisory teacher. Originally at Sorell School in Hobart, he is now in an Advisory Teaching position at Fitzroy Crossing in WA. Alan brings a wealth of experience of creating LTI opportunities that inspire and extend. He also has great experience connecting students to tertiary study via the Graduation Portfolio.

John Hogan

John Hogan is co-founder of Big Picture Education Australia and coaches schools in WA. John has extensive experience, expertise and training in consulting, coaching and supervision; organisation and network development; action learning and group work; strategic and project planning, project management; curriculum development; and research and evaluation.

8:30 - 9:30	Check-in + Advisory	<i>MC: Jennifer Parrett - Principal of James Fallon High School</i>
9:30 -10:00	Letter from America - Skype with Elliot Washer co-founder of Big Picture Learning USA	Update on US initiatives including New Harmony High and Harborfreight Fellows
10:00 - 11:30	Project Gen Z - Entrepreneurship Workshop	Liz Volpe leads an interactive session about developing entrepreneurial skills and mindsets
11:30 - 11:45	MORNING TEA	
11:45 - 12:15	Viv White	Focus: Stories from the field Big Picture in Gumbalanya Video
12:15 - 13:15	Indigenous Education Panel	John Hogan leads a discussion with Chris Sarra (Stronger Smarter Institute), Benny Abbatangelo (AIME) + more TBA
13:15 - 14:00	LUNCH	
14:00 - 16:00	Out Learning: Inner west community practical workshops	Visit the makers of the Inner west. Make sure you choose a workshop before the conference. Travel arrangements will be provided on the day
From 18:00	Conference Dinner - Palacio Featuring Chris Bonnor Keynote & comedy MCs	49A New Canterbury Rd, Petersham

Speakers Day 2

Elliot Washor

Elliot Washor, Ed.D. has been involved in education reform and school design for more than 35 years as a teacher, principal, administrator, designer, video producer, speaker and writer. In 1995 Elliot co-founded Big Picture Learning and the Met Center in Providence, RI, recognised by President Barack Obama and many international organisations as one of the most innovative high schools in the world.

Liz Volpe

Liz is founder of Project Gen Z and Co-Founder of League of Extraordinary Women. After several successful enterprises Liz started Project Gen Z to inspire great entrepreneurs. The project is aimed at inspiring disadvantaged children to dream. By running a series of workshops Liz and the team hope to educate, inspire and motivate children to follow their dreams.

Chris Sarra

Chris Sarra is the founder and chairman of the Stronger Smarter Institute. Chris is one of Australia's most highly regarded indigenous educators.

Ben Abbatangelo

Ben is the Deputy CEO of AIME. AIME builds bridges of mentoring between university and disadvantaged high schools students with the outcome being that the kids are lifted out of educational inequality. AIME has mentored more than 15,000 Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander high school kids since their inception, closing a 35% educational gap.

Out Learning workshops

Voodoo Coffee

Visit the Voodoo roasters for a tour of the roasting facility and experience a custom tasting.

Willie the Boatman

Meet the team who turned a passion for home brewing into Willie the Boatman Brewery - home of the famous Albo Ale - and sample some of their wares.

Square Peg Jewellery Studio

Visit this contemporary jewellery design studio, learning and making hub. Learn basic metalsmith skills and make a piece of jewellery.

Makerspace & Co

Go on a studio tour of this hive of makers and entrepreneurs. Inside the Makerspace you'll find fashion designers, robotics engineers, entrepreneurs, welders, carpenters, weavers, 3d printers and more.

Me3D 3D printing

Hayden Youlley - Ceramics

Reverse Garbage

Street Art Tour

Bobbin & Ink - screen printing + more tba

Friday

8:30 - 9:00	Check-in Peter Morgan	MC: Peter Morgan
9:00 - 9:30	Micro Credentialing and the Big Picture Portfolio	Jayne Johnston
9:30 - 10:00	Graduation Portfolio - What we have learnt	<i>Ann Hill Graduation Portfolio update 2018 and video case studies</i>
10:00 - 11:00	Graduation Portfolio Workshop Options Choose from Ann Hill or Viv White	<i>Option 1 - Diving deeper into university preparation moderation, mentors, standards, support... Option 2 - Graduation Portfolio for other pathways Viv White leads a session on "making" a portfolio</i>
11:00 - 11:15	MORNING TEA	
11:15 - 11:45	Workshop Option 1 - Physical learning space design Workshop Option 2 - Cloud-based tools for learning	Peter Lippman - Architect Recent grad and tech expert Liam Brenner shares his top online tools and techniques to support Big Picture learning.
11:45 - 12:45	Advisory	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What am I taking with me?• Finishing
12:45 - 13:15	Conference closing	Thank you and where to from here
13:15 - 13:45	LUNCH	
13:45 on	Open networking	Continue conversations post conference for those able to stay on

Speakers Day 3

Jayne Johnston

Jayne has been a senior bureaucrat in a number of Australian Education Systems. She is Chair of the Big Picture Graduation Portfolio National Panel and is exploring integration with micro-credentialing.

Peter Lippmann

Spanning more than 25 years, Peter's work is fuelled by a desire to create learning spaces that are responsive to its users. Grounded in the research, Peter applies social science research methodologies to the planning, and design of learning environments.

Ann Hill

Recently retired from a teaching career spanning forty years, Ann has worked in collaborative curriculum projects between BPEA and ACARA and is currently project coordinator for the Graduation Portfolio project, BPEA school coach and training provider.

Liam Brenner - Big Picture alumnus

After interning with a web development company in Hobart, developing an e-commerce site for a car chauffeur company and researching in depth the keys to successful start-ups, Liam is now studying a Bachelor of Business/Innovation & Entrepreneurship at the University of Newcastle.

Venue details

Petersham Town Hall: 107 Crystal St, Petersham NSW 2049

Transport and parking

Train - The nearest train station is Petersham which is a four minute walk.

Bus - Get a bus that says Parramatta Road. If coming from the city, you can get off at Parramatta road after Phillip St, walk along Parramatta road until Crystal St then walk ten minutes down to the Town Hall. If coming from the West, get the bus till Parramatta Rd after Railway St.

The 445 bus runs along Crystal St where the Town Hall is located. The nearest bus stop is Crystal St after Douglas St.

All day parking is available on Regent and Fisher St. Get there early. There is also street parking near the Town Hall on Hopetoun St.